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John Boyle O'Reilly.

e, on this rock, and on this sterile soil,
an the kingdom, not of kings, but men;
an the making of the world again.
e centuries sank, and from the hither bring
ew world reached and raised an old world link,
n English hands, by wider vision taught,
ew down the bars the Norman brought,
here revived, in spite of sword and stake,
r ancient freedom of the Wapentake!
e struck the seed—the Pilgrims' roofless town,
e equal rights and equal bonds were set,
re all the people, equal-franchised, met;
re doom was writ of privilege and crown;
re human breath blew all the idols down;
re crests were nought, where vulture flags were
rled,
common men began to own the world!"

PRICE CHANGED

y cents was too small a charge for the Pacific. Publication Committee said it must be advanced. Conference voted that the price should be one per year. They also voted that every church e subscriptions for our little bulletin equal to fth of their membership. The price is now one . Look at the sticker on your paper as it comes n and see if the date is up to date. Let us not ehind Father Time.

THE LEAGUE AT WORK

mond B. Fosdick charges that those who say he League of Nations is a failure, that it is a beyond repair, that it is a battered hulk, as remarked the other day, are stating what is e and wide of the mark. The fact is that the e has functioned and is functioning in ten im- nt lines, and any man who will take the trouble vestigate the facts will be delighted with the ings the League is doing already. It is a live y for peace.

ctically all the nations of the world are in it, an come into it, with the exception of United , Russia, Mexico and the enemy countries with we were at war. It is probable that Germany ustria will be admitted at the November meet- Geneva.

confession of the Anti-Wilsonians the League ready prevented at least four war-outbreaks in ort life. It is destined to go on in an enlarging e of usefulness, whether this country joins or not. The New International Court which can function only through the League, and which has been organized by the League, is only one of the fine instruments for peace throughout the whole world.

Much of our California press has entered into a conspiracy of silence with regard to the League as it has with regard to other matters of importance to our American life.

IMPRESSIVE COMMISSIONING

On the evening of September 1, in the old First Church of Oakland, Dr. Alma Cooke and Dr. Lois Pendleton were commissioned to the foreign service, under the W. B. M. P. and the W. B. M. I. respectively. Secretary H. H. Kelsey was the commissioning officer. Miss Cooke is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. William H. Cooke, who were for so many years in charge of the Golden Gate Church, Oakland. The two young ladies have been close friends for years and go to neighboring fields in China—Miss Cooke to Lintsing, and Miss Pendleton to Tehchow. They are both graduates of the University of California in arts and medicine. The prayers of all our people will go with these young messengers of the love of Christ.

THE LIGHT OUT OF THE EAST

A better title for this strange story would have been "The White Pope," or "The Second Christ." Just what Crockett (the author of "The Stickit Minister," "The Grey Man," etc.) meant by this story of his is hard to determine; perhaps he intended that the tale should leave many a query in the reader's mind. This being a posthumous work by the famous story-teller, there is nowhere to go for a convincing interpretation except to one's own inner consciousness, and the returns from that source will not be entirely satisfactory.

The White Pope breaks loose from the Vatican, escapes from Italy, and has various experiences natural and supernatural; all of which makes quite interesting reading.

"Temples, cathedrals, basilicas, parish churches, meeting-houses," says the White Pope, "are but rags flaunted to cover the nakedness of the land." He told the people that there was to be "no altar, no communion, no confession, no absolution, no priest, no Holy Church, no Holy Father sitting supreme in Rome." And he also revealed his contempt of the political trickster methods by which he and all popes were made Pope. (George H. Doran Company, New York City. 254 pages.)

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THE WRESTLER THROUGH THE DARK

W. W. Lovejoy.

In youth a playmate; then a friend;
And now a Wrestler, life, with me.
Though long the fight, be this the end,
Who fights till break of day is free!
And, named anew, shall stand erect,
Face without fear whate'er befall.
Who would not life's dark strife elect—
The Face of God, it shines through all!

THE CONFERENCE AT ASILOMAR

It is a well recognized fact that Asilomar is a delightful spot and that it has accommodations that make it an ideal spot for holding conventions and conferences. This was accepted as theory by Congregationalists previous to September 7. Since that date the happy Pilgrims who went there in attendance upon the State Conference have a practical demonstration; "they went; they saw; they were conquered."

We are not going to attempt any report of that Conference; the friendliness, the spirituality, the comfort, the inspiration of those days have to be experienced; they cannot be reported. Suffice it to say that the whole band of Pilgrims without exception rejoiced that they had gone to the Conference; and almost to a soul voted that the Conference go back there again next fall for its annual meeting.

The Attendance

Some doubting Thomases were certain that the number of those going so far from the center of things must be very limited. We know of one who made the prognostication that the total attendance would not exceed 50. The usual registrations at our Conferences when they are largely attended run about 175 to 200. At Asilomar there were registered 54 ministers and 119 lay-folk, making a total of 173. Our next meting at Asilomar will far exceed that.

The Sermon

On the first evening of the meetings the Conference sermon was preached by Rev. M. G. Papazian of the Pilgrim Church, Fresno. His theme was "Poor, but Rich." He spoke without notes, but the sermon while thus gaining in magnetism, lost nothing in diction or clearness of thinking or dignity of utterance. It was a worthy deliverance; and if the Pacific were of larger size we would be glad to give it in full in th columns. It was a good keynote to a great meeti

Three-Fold Conferences

Each morning for one hour the great meeting vided up into three smaller groups for conferen The ministers formed one, the women another, a the laymen a third. Perhaps the best feature of whole Conference was the smaller meeting of pastors for consultation and helpful suggestions. T problems of the pulpit, of the church organization, the study, of the devotional life, were here discuss The experience and devotion of all were made av able for each.

Straw Vote

One enterprising delegate secured a straw vote the Presidential outlook. The vote revealed consid able uncertainty in the minds of those voting, a there was comfort in it for nobody. This was result: Votes cast 105. No one received a majori Harding got 44; Cox, 16; Hoover, 9; Watkins, Debs, 3; Coolidge, 1; McAdoo, 1; Sun Yat Sen, and "?" 27. That "?" stands for those who did know for whom to vote. There were many "?" af the names of both Harding and Cox. So there you a

A Long Table

George H. DeKay told us that the Near East Re is working in Asia Minor where the Red Cross is functioning. There is no overlapping of the work these two organizations. Through the Near E Relief a table 24 miles long of orphan children is ing fed every day—not abundantly, but nourishin The children are on both sides of that table pac in as closely as possible. Every church in the S ought to be furnishing some of the food for that ta

From the South

A valuable contributon was made to the Confere by Dr. George Kengott and Miss Sarah E. Bu of the Southern Conference. Their presence wa gracious thing and their words instructive and in ing.

Jazz Psychology

That there is a classic psychology no one c doubt after hearing Prof. Rugh and Prof. Breitwe both of the University; but that any of the gates understand it is another contention. But timely warning of one of the lecturers against "Jazz Psychologist" was understandable and wi heeded by the informed. The men who adverti read your fortune, discover your character, and form other magical accomplishments are fa psychology is not that sort of a thing; it does fortell the future. According to both of the lectu "Psychology is the science of behavior."

The Japanese Question

A long and careful consideration was given to perplexing problem of our present day. The was to arrive at Christian conclusions. What we as churches to say in the matter, what att toward these people is Christian? Our discussio sulted in the following resolution:

"The present wide-spread discussion of the nese problem in California demands our most c

ideration in the spirit of Christ. We have three uasions in the matter.

'irst. That a comprehensive campaign of Ameri- zation among Orientals here should be undertaken he religious and civic forces of California.

econd. That for some time to come all further igration from Japan should be restricted by idly diplomatic agreement between the two coun- .

'hird. That our national honor demands that e Japanese who are already here in harmony with present treaty with Japan should have all the ileges and rights guaranteed to them by that ty. As a Christian nation we shall live up to the r and spirit of our treaty agreements."

one of our Japanese churches were represented er by pastor or delegate, a fact regretted by many.

Prohibition Enforcement.

he Conference was unanimous in its vote to "urge n our ministry and membership and upon all tem- nce-folk in California the necessity of passing Harris Enforcement Act, held up by referendum to be voted upon in November. If this act is ated, California will have no state ordinance for enforcement of national prohibition. This will be n as evidence that California does not believe he enforcement of the Eighteenth Amendment, she is disloyal to the Federal Constitution; and effect will be to encourage lawlessness with re- t to the manufacture and distribution of alcoholic erages."

Interchurch Survey

order that the work might be completed which begun and partially carried through by the rchurch in making surveys in California, the Con- nce voted to pledge its support to the California e Federation for one year, and also that each ch be requested to pay three cents per member carrying on of this work. Programizing confer- s in each county are to be held and the work he Interchurch Movement to be completed.

The Pacific

ome good words were spoken concerning our Con- nce newspaper, and it was voted with great will- ess that "we stand behind the Pacific as a med- of Congregational information and that we re- st each church to secure subscriptions amounting t least one-fifth of its membership." The price ne paper was placed at one dollar per year.

Hubert C. Herring

he sympathy of the Conference and its sense of in the death of our great leader was expressed he resolution:

'he Northern California Conference records its sense of the loss sustained by the Congregational ches of the United States in the death of Secre- Hubert C. Herring. We recall with gratitude his iring presence at the meeting of our Conference 916. His true brotherliness, his breadth of vision, his democratic leadership have enriched our fel- ship and set our churches forward in an advance which his Christian statesmanship and comrade it will be an enduring source of encouragement."

The Sabbath Day

Although the numbers were somewhat decreased when the last day of the Conference arrived, the spirit and interest lagged not at all. Many pastors had been unable to make arrangements for their pulpits on the Conference Sunday, so had to return to their fields though reluctantly. It is to be hoped that at the time of the next gathering every church will insist that its pastor shall remain through. It would not hurt any church to supply its pulpit on that Sabbath by a layman; it would do the layman good and might be valuable also to the church.

The Conference Sabbath started out with an earnest prayer service at 8:30. At 10 the Conference gathered as a large Bible class under the incomparable leadership of Prof. Buckham. The lesson was the first chapter of Paul's letter to the Colossians. Many of those in the class came away with a deeper love for the Scriptures.

At 11 a. m. the Conference church assembled and after an inspiring worship service led by different pastors listened to a helpful and touching sermon on "I am a Debtor," by J. K. Browne who drew from his many years experience in Turkey for his illustrations.

In the evening there was a fitting closing to the great meetings we had had for a week in Asilomar; first, there was a testimony meeting with words of appreciation from more than a score; and then an address by Raymond C. Brooks, full of suggestions and inspiration for the coming months.

It was a great Conference; many said it was the best that they had attended in California; some best of any they had ever attended.

ASILOMAR NOTES

Those free afternoons at Asilomar did not materialize, neither did the "Beach Supper"—rejoicing over the latter, but grief for the former.

We were sorry to miss Pendleton's address on the "Social Movements" evening; but Giffen's starter was excellent, and it was a gladsome surprise to have Stitt Wilson as Pendleton's substitute. We like Wilson better and better as we go along.

That young girl from Modoc county was having the time of her life. Fourteen years old and never had seen a street car, nor ridden on a train. It would not be a bad thing for every church to include a fourteen-year-old among its list of delegates.

KEEP THE BALL ROLLING

	Feb. 1	Sept. 1
Northern California	395	606
Southern California	198	182
Oregon	29	30
Washington	44	42
Elsewhere	65	63
	731	923

One county in Texas has church seatings enough for the whole population, but less than a fifth attend church.

THE INSTITUTION

Glen Ellen

The church recently held a very largely attended reception for the new pastor and his wife. For some time past this community has had no Protestant services, but recently the work has been revived through the help of Rev. Isaac Cookman of Sonoma. Rev. Isaac McRae about a month ago accepted the joint call of Kenwood and Glen Ellen and already is winning the friendship of both communities. About one hundred Glen Ellenites turned out for the reception, speeches were made by visiting pastors, and members of the church, and happily responded to by the new pastor. A bountiful repast made a fine finish to a pleasant occasion.

Mill Valley

A covered dish luncheon was tried by this church on Friday evening September 17, with great success. About fifty church people sat down to their evening meal in the Sunday school room; after a social hour there was singing and a short address by the pastor. Those present voted unanimously to have another luncheon of the same sort in the coming month.

Kenwood

A whirlwind canvass was carried on by two neighboring pastors for funds for the coming year. Since the coming of Rev. Isaac McRae as the new pastor, the church is undertaking to raise fifty per cent more salary than they have been paying in the past. It is a heroic effort and the prospects seem favorable to a final accomplishment. The church provides a very acceptable parsonage of five rooms, and plans to pay $600 of his salary. The Glen Ellen church is undertaking to do its part for this joint pastorate.

Sonoma

The Expositor-Forum edited by Mr. Watters of the Congregational Church reports a very satisfactory growth in the Sunday school of late. A meeting of the teachers and children and friends of the Sunday school one evening brought out a large number; the plans for the coming year were discussed and outlined. A Rally Sunday program was arranged for. Ice cream and cake were provided by Mr. and Mrs. Potter and everybody was happy. The church has been fortunate in securing the assistance of Mrs. Savacool as musical director; she has already organized a good choir which adds to the beauty and interest of the church services. At the last communion eight new members were added to the roll.

Oakland, First

The pastor, Francis J. Van Horn, has already won a reputation on the Pacific coast as a Shakespearian lecturer. His church and the people of Oakland are having the rare treat of three Shakespeare sermons on Sunday evenings. On September 19 he discoursed upon King John, "the royal criminal"; on September 26, upon Richard II, "the sentimental monarch"; and upon October 3 he speaks upon Henry IV, "the first constitutional monarch." Dr. Van Horn says: "Back of these three hundred years of American history lie four hundred years of English history, at once foundation and fountain. Out of Shakespeare's England came the Pilgrims, the Puritans, the Virgi ians,—America and her institutions. This Tercente ary Year is a fitting time for a reverent study history."

Hayfork, Trinity County

In the summer of 1919 Rev. Mr. Snider organized Sunday school in this community and since then mee ings have been kept up with reasonable regularity The winter storms have compelled omisison of se vices occasionally, and during two months in the sum mer time it has been impossible to keep up the wor on account of small attendance. Rev. Mr. Riley th pastor at Weaverville has secured pledges her amounting to $1200 for the erection of a churc building; he has also secured ten persons who wi become charter members of the new church whic will soon be organized. If it is possible to secu lumber the building will be put up this fall; there plenty of timber about, but only one mill and n enough water to run it. Hayfork is 77 miles fro Redding and 120 miles from Eureka. It is the large fertile valley in Trinity County. There is a Catho building at Hayfork but no resident priest. The are many more Protestants than Catholics and y we have only one minister for the whole county. high school has been started with thirty pupils a both teachers are church members, as are the gra mer school teachers. Superintendent Rathbone cently visited this county, he and pastor Riley we over also to Hyampon 26 miles beyond, 18 miles it being a hard trail on foot, for the horses we all on the firing line, lightning having started o 70 fires in that county.

Bay Point

Missionary Singer was called upon to reorganize t Ladies Aid Society. It starts out with fifteen me bers and Mrs. Van Winkle president. At the seco meeting eleven new members were added to the r The society has bought a baby grand piano.

Los Angeles, First

The church has adopted the Movie. A complete o fit has been established, and a first run was made Sunday evening September 5. It was a five-reel pho play named "High Speed," with Jack Pickford as star. Dr. Patton spoke on "Running a Straight Rac using the picture as a text. The congregation seem to like it; and the movie is to be a regular feat of the Sunday evening service.

Claremont

The church has invited Rev. J. H. Williams so l pastor at Redlands, to supply its pulpit until they able to secure a permanent pastor. He has consen and began work on September 1.

Stockton

Pastor Gill is delighted in having three other mi ters in his congregation. Rev. Reuben Henry S is the pastor emeritus, and also treasurer of the Re ious Education department of the church, havin care of the accounts and supplies of the Sun school. Rev. John W. Gealey, formerly pastor of United Presbyterian Church, works with this chu and sometimes has supplied its pulpit. He is tea

the Men's Bible Class. Rev. Frederich Conliffe, re-tly of the Bay Point Church has been appointed perintendent of the Sunday school. These minis-ial members have rendered good service in the ighboring churches. The banner for attendance at e State Conference at Asilomar goes to this church; had a total of twenty-three in attendance.

n Diego, Missions Hills

ound has been broken for an artistic new edifice. e new structure is to cost about $27,000. The con-egation is temporarily worshiping in the charming ditorium of the Francis W. Parker school, which s been placed at their convenience at a nominal arge by the courtesy of the management.

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nce the leaving of Rev. Mr. Schwimley, our church s been looking for a pastor. We have at last artily united on Rev. S. C. Price, he has accepted r call and will soon be at work. Thus we have tually traded with the Oakland Church, our former stor going to Calvary Church from which Mr. Price mes to us.

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is church has a commendable rule with reference the State Conference; it pays all the expenses of delegates. There are churches a plenty that could the same thing if they thought so. We wonder if e pastor's expenses are included in that. Probably .

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ne pastor, W. J. Johnson, has been wondering if it ere not time for him to seek a new field of service; has not been satisfied with the attendance at urch services, and he did not want to stand in the ay of a better work. There were openings also vaiting him in some of the Bay City churches. The atter was brought before the congregation on Sep-mber 12; and a unanimous request was made that remain with the people of Oroville. The Daily egister styles him "Oroville's loved minister." Tes-mony was received from C. O. Hamilton, president the chamber of commerce; O. C. Griffiths, manager the Hutchinson Lumber Company, and others as the invaluable service Mr. Johnson is rendering ne whole community. He has gladly accepted the ishes of the church and people, and will remain in s useful pastorate. The Pacific congratulates all on the continuance of the useful and happy rela-ne of the oldest in the city. The pastor, Willard W. horp, has just resigned after twelve years of arduous ervice in this church.

an Diego First

he new parish house is nearly completed, and is ex-ected to make possible a large increase in the Sun-ay school, which has been sadly hampered for space. n expenditure of some $50,000 is being planned for, ncluding the thorough renovation of the church edi-ce itself, which, erected twenty-four years ago, is ne of the oldest in the city.

an Diego, Park Villas

his church during July allowed the Interdenomina-onal Vacation Bible School the use of its building, with an average attendance of over 60. G. A. Charnook is pastor.

Redwood City

On the first Sunday in September this church was happy in receiving six new members; all of them by letter.

INDIAN LIFE

By Mrs. G. A. Vennink, Missionary.

If you could just go into some of these homes as I do and see how bare they are of the comforts of life and how little they help one to realize the highest in life!

A CROW GIRL.

Some few of our Indian women do have bed rooms of their own fixed up in good taste, but these are few. For the most part, they live in just one room or at the best two. They sleep, eat, in fact every activity of life goes on in that limited space. All life is open like a book for even small children to read. Of course, that is just what we find in other mission fields, but it is so hard to live the highest and best life so.

Their homes are so barren, so many times without any of the things that make a home. Their beds are simply a roll of bedding near the wall. Sometimes the wall will be lined with them. There will be a stove, a pile of boxes in the corner that contains their eatables. They sit on the floor, and eat there also. Many times the stove and rolls of bedding are the only furnishings. Then again, one will see a few chairs and a table, but most of them prefer the floor. More of them are getting bedsteads now.

Their homes are only places to eat and sleep and for protection from the cold. The children run around with just a dress, or if it is real cold two or three dresses, no underclothes. They do have shoes and stockings most of the time. There is no reading material of any kind, no music, no games, nothing to pass the leisure hours. This makes them want to be

in groups, and the women will sit around and gossip while the men get together and throw arrows, play pool, etc., etc. This gives nothing to draw man and wife together, and everything to draw them apart.

Sometimes when I look at this side of their life, I get discouraged, yet I greatly enjoy the work with the women and girls, and I hope that we may be able to bring some to a better understanding of the "Jesus Way" and what it means to a bigger and better life in other ways.

THE INDIVIDUAL

Rev. G. D. Yoakum, who was pastor a few years ago of the Park Church, Berkeley, was married on July 31 to Miss Eunice Vernon of Prescott, Arizona, where he is pastor of the First Congregational church. Mrs. Yoakum has been a teacher in the Arizona schools.

Rev. Harold S. Tutttle, some years ago pastor of the Bethany Church of San Francisco, is now professor in the Pacific University at Forest Grove, Oregon. His work there will include courses in Child Study, the Teaching Process, History of Education, and the Social Teachings of Jesus.

Rev. Joseph B. Ives, who for some years has been living at Paradise as a retired minister, passed away on September 11. Mr. Ives was ordained in 1877 and has rendered a fine service during the many years of his ministry. Of late years he has been in feeble condition. His adopted daughter was with him and lovingly cared for him during his last days.

Rev. Bryant C. Preston has been engaged as the publicity man of the American Bible Society in their coming celebration of Universal Bible Sunday among all the churches of the land.

Rev. Chester Ferris, who awhile ago was given a leave of absence of six months by his Santa Barbara Church, finally decided that his health was such that he ought to give up so strenuous a job as that field presented. He resigned the pastorate there and has accepted a call to the church at Yucaipa, and begins work this month.

Rev. E. J. Singer had an interesting trip to Cascada, 75 miles up in the mountains from Fresno. This is one of the many camps of the Edison Power Company. The locomotive was built especially for hill climbing and covers about ten miles an hour. Cascada is 5,000 feet above sea level and Huntington Lake is 2,000 feet higher. Camps are distributed all along the line. Shaver employs 1,000 men, and Cascada 500. A service was held on Sunday morning and a Sunday school of 30 was organized. There is a great work to be done in this region. The power company plans investing one hundred million dollars in their plants. Mr. Singer expects to visit the field again before snow flies.

Shelton Bissel of Venice, is the new editor of the Southern California Congregational Herald. His first issue is spicy, fresh, and very attractive. We welcome Mr. Bissel to the fraternity.

On account of the shortage of teachers in Trinity County our Pastor at Weaverville has been loaned by his church to be teacher at the Junction city school. Mr. Riley is, however, carrying on his regular church work while acting as school-master. This arrangement is only temporary, the school board hoping soon to secure some one to relieve the hard-worked minister.

Rev. Alfred C. Hogbin of Los Angeles passed into the other life on the morning of September 20. He was ordained to the Congregational ministry in 1872. He was the brother-in-law of B. C. Preston.

After a brief vacation in Northern California Rev. J. H. Batten returned to his acting pastorate at Santa Barbara to discover that the church had given him an unanimous call to become their pastor at a largely increased salary. He has accepted the call and thus has graduated from the acting to the permanent pastorate of that important church.

SUGGESTIVE SAYINGS

Senator Harding: "I rejoice that the United States Senate is functioning again."

Bishop Charles S. Burch: "The stand of the church is an appeal to labor not to make unjust and destructive demands; and the same appeal to capital."

Colonel William Peart of the Salvation Army: "The deserted appearance of our industrial homes for confirmed drunkards is the best proof that can be offered for the effectiveness of the prohibition amendment."

Elihu Root in Westminster Abbey speech: "Every child of English sires should learn the story of Abraham Lincoln and think with pride, 'Of such stuff as this are we English made'."

Amy Lowell: "America failed to appreciate Lawrence's 'Sons and Lovers' perhaps because its power frightened a public who could read 'Pollyanna' without nausea."

A citizen of Valencia: "Blasco Ibanez is so ardent a republican that he has named his two daughters America and Liberty."

The World Christian Conference on Faith and Order, meeting at Geneva, representing eighty denominations and forty countries passed the following resolution: "This Conference rejoices in the formation of the League of Nations for the prevention of war and the protection of small nationalities; it earnestly desires that these nations not yet within the League will soon become members thereof." The Patriarch of Jerusalem invited the Conference to meet in that city the next year.

The story is told by the Congregationalist that both Charles E. Hughes and former President Taft were approached by the liquor forces with a very tempting retainer of $150,000 to fight the Eighteenth Amendment, but both gentlemen informed the amazed "wets" that they were not for sale. Mr. Taft is reported as saying, "My conscience is not for sale."

Sorry comfort they got. Not all men have been able to resist the lure of gold.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS

Moderator, Rev. Harley H. Gill; Assistant Moderator, Rev. W. A. Schwimley; Superintendent and Registrar, L. D. Rathbone; Associate Superintendent, R. B. Edge; Treasurer, F. B. Cole.

Trustees—Class of 1921, D. H. Dexter, I. H. Morse, Revs. C. L. Kloss, C. G. Marshall, F. J. Van Horn, H. Gill, A. P. Orth; Class of 1922—J. T. Richards, D. Williams, Revs. A. E. King, B. D. Naylor, E. C. Oakley, M. P. Papazian, E. D. Hale; Class of 1923—S. Martin, A. W. Porter, Mrs. J. F. Merrill; Revs. C. Brooks, W. H. Youngman.

Preacher, Rev. Benjamin Gould; Alternate, Rev. B. Palmer.

ASILOMAR BEACH.

Seminary Visitors, Revs. C. L. Kloss, G. E. Atkinson, F. W. Morrison.

Missionary Education, Rev. G. W. Hinman, Miss E. Benton, Mrs. Howard May, Mrs. C. L. Kloss, Rev. E. Robinson.

Young People's Work, Rev R. B. Larkin, Miss Dessie J. Simpson, Paul Mohr, and the four officers the Pilgrim Legion.

National Council Members, W. A. Schwimley, T. T. Iffen; Alternates, B. M. Palmer, E. C. Oakley.

Christian Endeavor Representative, Rev. LaRue Watson.

Members of California Federation of Churches, Revs. L. D. Rathbone, F. J. Van Horn, B. D. Naylor, A. King, G. W. Hinman.

HOME MISSION STUDY BOOKS

1920-21

I. The senior textbook, "The Church and the Community" (50 cents), by Ralph E. Diffendorfer is a clear presentation of the needs and opportunities for service in both city and rural districts. The headings of the six chapters give a suggestion of the wealth of material incorporated: 1, Community Life; 2, Economic Factors; 3, Co-operation; 4, Homes and Housing; 5, Complete Community Situations; 6, Community Leadership.

II. "Serving the Neighborhood," by Ralph A. Felton. (50 cents.) In an everyday, conversational way, many questions calling for Christian consideration are presented, not from a theoretical standpoint, but by stating definite problems and how they have been solved by actual churches. Profusely illustrated by the author's own pictures.

III. "Mr. Friend-o'-Man," by Jay T. Stocking (40 cents). The child who will not enjoy these allegorical stories of "Query Queer" and the "Wise and Wonder Man" should be hard to find.

Leader's Manual for these books are 15 cents. Model City Cut-outs for children are 60 cents. Six Welfare Pictures and Stories are 50 cents.

THE GREATEST PILGRIM

Rev. E. A. King of San Jose has prepared a fine lecture with slides upon the "Greatest Pilgrim." He gave this one evening to an interested audience at the Conference at Asilomar. He has kindly offered the free use of the pictures and lectures to any churches that may wish to avail themselves of them. They can be obtained at the Congregational headquarters.

LIVING MONUMENTS

American communities are discussing a suitable memorial for the boys who went overseas. The sentiment is growing stronger for the creation of a living monument that will bring lasting welfare to the community. Churches, schools, chambers of commerce, and fraternal organizations are uniting in this movement for the building of deathless memorials to our heroic dead.

One city has collected funds for a Public Health Nurse. What could be more fitting as a tribute than a Red Cross Health Center? It would keep alive the ideals of clean living, right thinking, and righteous doing.

"BETTER AMERICA"

The Congregational Headquarters have received ten lectures and sets of slides entitled "Better America," prepared by N. D. Hillis. Churches desiring them should make application at once. They can be rented at $5.00 per set, $50.00 for the ten. The slides are all colored and fine specimens of photo-art. They can be sent by parcel post, thus reducing expense. Apply to Miss Dessie Simpson, 423 Phelan Bldg., San Francisco.

The man who takes a tip barters his self-respect at bargain-counter prices.

THE YOUNGEST DELEGATE

Elsie Slater, fourteen years old, had never been more than a few miles from her home in Adin, Modoc County. She is back in school now after her wonderful trip, otherwise she would report for herself what it all means to her,—that is, if she could. Her pastor with whom she attended the meeting speaks for her.

"She saw trees and shrubs and plants, many varieties of fruit, rice growing and many things not common to us in our higher altitude and colder climate. She saw her first overland train, saw and rode on her first street car, saw the steamers on the Sacramento river for the first time, the city with its capitol, the wonder and beauty of the paintings in the art gallery, the church service on Sunday when she heard a pipe organ for the first time.

"The whole trip down from Modoc County she exclaimed on the beauty of it all, trying to pass judgment on which was the best. The arrival at Asilomar, getting her first view of the Pacific ocean was all the child could contain of wonder. She thinks they were all great minds at the Conference, but in hearing her tell of her impressions since coming home, the outstanding feature is, 'Everybody was so kind to me'."

IMPRESSIONS OF THE CONFERENCE

The environment of restful beauty of the Retreat-by-the-Sea.

A strong, helpful program. Each one contributing fine thoughts.

The conferences within the Conference were exceedingly helpful and hope they will be continued.

Best of all the fine fellowship which makes us want to live better that we may enjoy that in the other life.

J. R. SHOEMAKER,
Adin.

BIBLE SUNDAY

At the suggestion of the American Bible Society, the Conference voted to set aside Sunday, November 28th as "Universal Bible Sunday." The Bible meant much to the Pilgrims coming to this land three hundred years ago; they laid the foundations of their community and our country in that great Book.

"The Mayflower passengsrs, cramped and crowded in their adventurous shallop, were compelled to conserve every inch of space as precious. They made room, however, for seventy-two libraries, each library containing 66 books,—the Old and New Testaments."

SUNBEAM CORNER

At the request of the local paper Rev. W. J. Johnson, pastor at Oroville conducts a morning column which he entitles "Morning Sunbeams, Home-made, Custom-made and Selected." The readers have grown accustomed to turn to the Sunbeam corner for inspiration for the day. Some of his Sunbeams are: "Get out of the dumps; link arms with a smile as you go out this morning and introduce it to every neighbor you meet. It will do you both good. I will be happy all the day, let come what may. An agreeable face is worth ten dollars in trade any week of your life. Do all the good you can to-day and make no fuss about it."

SUPPRESSION OF THE TRUTH.

The people in England are not allowed to know the truth about Prohibition in the United States, according to Dr. Saleeby, the noted British scientist. He says:

"Our people are told that prohibition has ruined the hotel business in the United States. They are told that everybody has taken to cocaine, that one result of prohibition has been the rapid spread of the use of drugs by your people. We are told that the Italians and others who do the hard work in your mines and factories are leaving the country in great masses and nobody is left to do the heavy work. The facts seem to be quite the contrary.

"Some first-class scoundrels are breeding bad blood between the two countries and include American prohibition in their attacks. One has seen this campaign grow to full flower since the armistice. Lord Astor told me that the brewers in England were spending $15,000,000 annually on advertising.

"The truth about prohibition in the United States is not admitted in the British press, with some honorable exceptions."

There are 202 denominations in the United States. In the past decade 17 have died, but 31 have been born. Of the total population of the United States 41,926,854 are members of a church, which is an increase of 6,860,000 in ten years. Less than one-third of the church members are Roman Catholics. In the decade the Roman Catholics have grown 10 per cent while the Protestants have grown 23 per cent. The Universalists are losing having only 59,000 members. the Unitarians have 82,000.

Every American child has a right to a Christian education, yet the Sunday school accomodations are entirely inadequate in space, talent or money to care for a tithe of the twenty-six million young people of Protestant descent who are out of the Sunday school.

The evils of the retired roll are apparent on every hand. The Presbytery of New York, for instance, received 3,713 members last year, but made a net gain of only 57 over the preceding year, 2,303 being placed on the suspended roll.

The Methodist headquarters for the Council of their Benevolence Boards are to be transferred from New York to Chicago. Our Congregational headquarters ought also to be transplanted to the western city. Chicago is nearer to center of population than New York.

Some men are called "quittors" who never started. The man who gives a tip is a small-guage bribe.

In New York City thirty-two foreign languages are spoken daily by 1,700,000 people. Only two per cent of these people are members of Protestant churches.